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1.	Yes	02/24/2007	1:30 PM	Columbia	#4 steel shot to left knee and right thigh near the inner knee area	No	SP	Rabbit ran between shooter and victim. Shooter attempted to put safety on but hit trigger and shot victim	31 Yr. M Yes	62 Yr. M No	12 gauge shotgun semi-auto
2.	Yes	03/18/2007	9:56 AM	Rusk	Shot through abdomen from right side back to left front	No	SP	Shooter and victim walking near creek Shooter carrying gun at “ready” position with safety off. Shooter turned head to look in creek and shot victim in the back	14 Yr. M Yes	14 Yr. M Yes	.22 LR semi-auto rifle
3.	Yes	03/30/2007	9:30 AM	Jefferson	15 #6 pellets penetrated victims head, leftside of chest, back upper legs and back.	No	SP	Hunters pheasant hunting on game farm. Shooter swung on pheasant. Shot missing pheasant and striking victim.	44 Yr. M Yes	44 Yr. M Yes	12 gauge shotgun with break/hinge action
4.	Yes	04/13/2007	11:30 AM	La Crosse	Shot pellet wounds to right hand, face and chest.	No	SP	Shooter thought he saw a turkey. Fired twice striking victim.	46 Yr. M Yes	13 Yr. M Yes	12 gauge semi-automatic shotgun
5.	Yes	04/18/2007	12:15 PM	Adams	Shot entered right side of head near ear and exited left side.	FATAL	SI	Victim hunting turkey in ground blind. While exiting blind a broken limb caught trigger.	65 Yr. M Yes		12 gauge semi-automatic shotgun
6.	Yes	04/20/2007	7:11 AM	Pepin	Pellet Wound to upper body	No	SP	Shooter shot at what he thought was turkey. Shot hit victim	57 Yr. M No	68 Yr. M No	12 gauge semi-automatic shotgun
7.	Yes	05/04/2007	6:30 AM	Trempealeau	Pellets to hands and legs	No	SP	Shooter saw hand movement of victim which he thought was a turkey. Fired one shot striking victim	54 Yr. M Yes	54 Yr. M Yes	12 gauge slide/pump action shotgun
8.	Yes	05/12/2007	5:10 AM	Vernon	Victim hit with	No	SP	Victim Noticed turkey	61 Yr. M	13 Yr. M	12 gauge

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					#5 shot one to forehead, one to left cheek and one to left wrist			decoy. Left area. Victim hit by shot from hunting partner.	No	Yes	semi-automatic shotgun
9.	Yes	08/22/2007	7:00 PM	Dodge	Two pellets to inside of left foot	No	SI	Victim attempting to bag nuisance woodchuck shot himself in foot	48 Yr. M		12 gauge slide/pump shotgun
10.	Yes	09/18/2007	5:00 PM	La Crosse	.22 bullet wound to right cheek and right side of neck	No	SP	Victim squirrel hunting with husband. Shot in foot by another hunter.	41 Yr. F No	62 Yr. M No	.22 caliber semi-automatic rifle
11.	Yes	09/21/07	1:20 PM	Marinette	Wound to right shoulder/lung	No	SP	Shooter hunting squirrel. Shot/missed squirrel. Hit victim standing in line of fire.	40 Yr. M	63 Yr. M	.22 caliber bolt action rifle
12.	Yes	9/29/07	5:45 PM	Sheboygan	2 fine shot pellets to the right side of face	No	SP	Hunting waterfowl in cattail marsh. Victim hit by single shot from nearby group.	Unknown	43 Yr. M	Shotgun
13.	Yes	10/08/07	5:45 pm	Marinette	Two shotgun blasts from 12 gauge to calf area below knee (backside of leg)	No	SP	Hunters grouse hunting. Shooter reached over to unload gun, tripped slightly causing gun to go off and hit victim	64 Yr. M	61 Yr. M	12 gauge break/hinge shotgun
14.	Yes	10/20/07	12:10 PM	Shawano	Two bb's; One in each thigh.	No	SP	Shooter fired at pheasant and struck victim with two BB's	37 Yr. M Yes	17 Yr. M Yes	12 gauge semi-automatic shotgun
15.	Yes	10/21/07	7:30 AM	Calumet	Pellet wounds—right side of torso and back	No	SP	Shooter fired Three shots at pheasant. Third shot hit hunting partner.	43 Yr. M Yes	43 Yr. M Yes	12 gauge semi-automatic shotgun
16.	Yes	10/26/07	12:00 PM	Burnett	3 shot pellet wounds to the inside of right leg and 1 pellet	No	SP	Shooter shot at grouse spotted on the ground. Resulted in victim being struck.	22 Yr. M Yes	57 Yr. M Yes	12 gauge semi-automatic shotgun

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17.	Yes	10/27/07	8:30 PM	Crawford	in roof of mouth .22 caliber shot to the left calf	No	SP	Shooter and victim squirrel hunting. Shooter grabbed firearm, and it discharged hitting victim.	19 Yr. M Yes	22 Yr. M Yes	.22 caliber bolt action rifle
18.	Yes	11/10/07	3:50 PM	Dodge	Shotgun wound left calf, shattered tibula	No	SP	Shooter shot at pheasant and hit victim in left calf. First time handling a gun.	53 Yr. M No	42 Yr. M No	12 gauge Semi-automatic shotgun
19.	Yes	11/18/07	8:30 AM	Waushara	Wound to pelvic area and to upper left leg	FATAL	SP	Victim covered his blaze orange coat with a brown-white & green blanket (he was cold) as he exited the field. Grandfather / shooter saw what he thought was a deer and fired.	63 Yr. M No	18 Yr. M Yes	30.06 semi-automatic rifle
20.	Yes	11/19/07	2:59 PM	Burnett	Bullet entered right shoulder and exited back of left shoulder	FATAL	SP	Victim and shooter were members of a party of 3 hunters tracking a wounded deer. Shooters rifle caught on brush and discharged striking victim.	54 Yr. M Yes	29 Yr. M Yes	30.06 bolt action rifle
21.	Yes	11/20/07	2:00 PM	Buffalo	Bullet passed through calf muscle on the right leg.	No	SP	Shooter was a driver in a Deer Drive. Shot at a deer that came back through the drive after the shooter walked past the victim, which was a stander in the drive.	17 Yr. M Yes	42 Yr. M No	.30 carbine caliber semi-automatic rifle
22.	Yes	11/21/07	12:14 PM	Green Lake	Bullet amputated left toe closest to big tow, bullet grazed inside of left leg, stuck testicular area,	No	SI	Shooters rifle fell from treestand and discharged	47 Yr. M No		30.30 lever action rifle

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23.	Yes	11/23/07	2:00 PM	Dunn	Minor flesh wound on left hip	No	SP	10 member deer drive. Shooter shot 5 times at a running deer striking victim once.	43 Yr. M Yes	19 Yr. M Yes	12 gauge slide action shotgun
24	Yes	11/24/07	6:50 AM	Walworth	Rifle round entering the top and exiting the bottom of the victim's right foot. Injury later required amputation of the right foot and mid shin area	No	SI	Deer hunting on private property. Lowered gun with rope. Went to retrieve firearm and gun fired single round hitting toe.	52 Y M		.308 cal Lever action Rifle
25.	Yes	11/24/07	12:05 PM	Price	Bullet struck near left nipple and penetrated heart.	FATAL	SP	Shooter and victim were standers in a 15 person deer drive. Victim moved from his original location and a deer ran between the victim and shooter. Shooter fired one time striking the victim.	32 Yr. M	26 Yr. M	.280 caliber semi-automatic rifle
26	Yes	11/25/07	11:30 AM	Forest	Pellet struck victim near left temple and lodged under the skin	No	SP	Shooter discharged round at a grouse. Shotgun pellet ricocheted off tree striking victim.	28 Yr. M Yes	54 Yr. M Yes	12 gauge slide action shotgun
27.	Yes	11/28/07	3:45 PM	Eau Claire	Muzzleloader bullet to lower left arm, just below elbow.	No	SI	Victim preparing to go muzzle loader deer hunting. Placed percussion cap in muzzleloader (previously loaded). While checking	56 Yr. M Yes		.50 Caliber Muzzleloader

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